



Louisiana Crop Progress and Condition

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According to the National Agricultural Statistics Service in Louisiana, there were 5.5 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, June 23, 2019. Topsoil moisture supplies were 2 percent very short, 21 percent short, 70 percent adequate, and 7 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies were 4 percent very short, 18 percent short, 72 percent adequate, and 6 percent surplus. Low temperatures ranged from 67.5 degrees Fahrenheit at Homer to 79.2 degrees Fahrenheit at Galliano. Highs ranged from 87.4 degrees Fahrenheit at Jeanerette to 93.6 degrees Fahrenheit at Natchitoches. Light to moderate precipitation was received throughout most of the State, with the highest concentration in the northwest part of the State with an average of 2.62 inches.

Crop progress for week ending June 23, 2019

| Crop | This week | Last week | Last year | 5-year average |
|-------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|----------------|
| | (percent) | (percent) | (percent) | (percent) |
| Corn, silked | 91 | 81 | 99 | 96 |
| Corn, dough | 17 | 5 | 41 | 39 |
| Corn, dent | 1 | (NA) | 6 | 3 |
| Cotton, planted | 100 | 99 | 100 | 100 |
| Cotton, emerged | 99 | 95 | 100 | 99 |
| Cotton, squaring | 37 | 12 | 81 | 61 |
| Hay, first cutting | 89 | 86 | 96 | 89 |
| Hay, second cutting | 17 | 11 | 20 | 8 |
| Rice, headed | 31 | 10 | 28 | 30 |
| Sorghum, headed | 39 | 5 | 47 | 55 |
| Soybeans, planted | 99 | 98 | 100 | 99 |
| Soybeans, emerged | 98 | 94 | 100 | 97 |
| Soybeans, blooming | 39 | 26 | 72 | 61 |
| Soybeans, setting pods | 15 | 4 | 31 | 14 |
| Sweet potatoes, planted | 99 | 91 | 93 | 85 |
| Winter wheat, harvested | 92 | 68 | 100 | 97 |

(NA) Not available.

Crop condition for week ending June 23, 2019

| Item | Very poor | Poor | Fair | Good | Excellent |
|----------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| | (percent) | (percent) | (percent) | (percent) | (percent) |
| Corn | 0 | 9 | 37 | 51 | 3 |
| Cotton | 0 | 2 | 38 | 56 | 4 |
| Livestock | 1 | 7 | 36 | 50 | 6 |
| Pasture | 1 | 11 | 39 | 44 | 5 |
| Rice | 1 | 5 | 28 | 58 | 8 |
| Sorghum | 0 | 0 | 40 | 57 | 3 |
| Soybeans | 0 | 5 | 38 | 48 | 9 |
| Sugarcane | 1 | 6 | 28 | 55 | 10 |
| Sweet potatoes | 0 | 0 | 26 | 72 | 2 |
| Vegetables | 0 | 5 | 32 | 59 | 4 |

Comments from Cooperative Extension Service Parish Agents

“The area received some much needed rain last week totaling between 2 and 3 inches. It helped everyone's feelings and the crops.”

– Richard Letlow, Morehouse Parish

“Good weather conditions allowed for progress in the crop sector as well as with hay and livestock production over the last week. Most crop plantings are complete, some soybean acres and rice following crawfish, should be planted in the coming days. Hay production has been more normal this year as compared to recent years. We expect some beneficial rains early this week as crops, pastures and hay fields should respond very well to a rainfall event.

– Vince Deshotel, Saint Landry Parish

“Drier conditions for most of last week allowed for some hay to be harvested and the completion of layby in sugarcane. It also limited disease spread in rice. Breeding season in beef cattle is winding down. Rice farmers were checking for stink bugs on flowering rice and scouting for disease and applying fungicide.”

– Andrew Granger, Vermilion Parish

“Hot and dry all week, but rains Sunday night. Rice started to head across the parish. Not much disease pressure being experienced yet.”

– James Meaux, Calcasieu Parish

“Sugarcane and soybean crops continued with excellent growth. Farmers continued to scout for disease and insects as well as working fallow ground. Most crawfish ponds were stocked and were being drained as most stopped fishing for the year.”

– Blair Hebert, Iberia Parish

Louisiana Weather Summary for Week Ending June 23, 2019

| Division/Station | Air Temperature | | | | | Precipitation | | | | |
|----------------------|-----------------|------|------|-------------------|------------------|---------------|-----------|------------------|------------|-----------------------------|
| | Max | Min | Avg | Norm ¹ | DFN ² | One Week | Rain Days | DFN ² | Four Weeks | Four Weeks DFN ² |
| Northwest | | | | | | | | | | |
| Minden | 90.9 | 71.4 | 81.1 | 79.7 | 1.4 | 2.71 | 2 | 1.48 | 3.92 | -0.55 |
| Mooringsport | 88.4 | 71.0 | 79.7 | 80.6 | -0.9 | 2.87 | 3 | 1.64 | 4.72 | 0.45 |
| Red River | 91.9 | 76.0 | 83.9 | 81.0 | 3.0 | 2.49 | 3 | 1.28 | 3.33 | -1.14 |
| Shreveport | 88.9 | 69.7 | 79.3 | 80.4 | -1.1 | 2.43 | 2 | 1.24 | 4.03 | -0.41 |
| Extreme/Average | 90.0 | 72.0 | 81.0 | 80.4 | 0.6 | 2.62 | 3 | 1.41 | 4.00 | -0.41 |
| North central | | | | | | | | | | |
| Calhoun | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | 78.9 | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) |
| Farmerville | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | 79.6 | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) |
| Homer | 88.3 | 67.5 | 77.9 | 78.0 | -0.1 | 1.60 | 2 | 0.80 | 5.25 | 1.48 |
| Extreme/Average | 88.3 | 67.5 | 77.9 | 78.9 | -0.1 | 1.60 | 2 | 0.80 | 5.25 | 1.48 |
| Northeast | | | | | | | | | | |
| Lake Providence | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | 80.5 | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | 1.53 | -1.32 |
| St Joseph | 89.8 | 68.8 | 79.3 | 81.1 | -1.7 | 2.66 | 3 | 1.98 | 5.45 | 1.71 |
| Tallulah | 88.4 | 70.4 | 79.4 | 80.2 | -0.7 | 0.48 | 2 | -0.24 | 2.02 | -1.16 |
| Winnsboro | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | 80.8 | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | 0.00 | -0.17 |
| Extreme/Average | 89.1 | 69.6 | 79.4 | 80.7 | -1.2 | 1.57 | 3 | 0.87 | 2.25 | -0.23 |
| West central | | | | | | | | | | |
| Ashland | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | 79.3 | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) |
| Hodges Gardens | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | 80.7 | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) |
| Leesville | 92.6 | 71.6 | 82.1 | 79.5 | 2.6 | 1.40 | 1 | 0.14 | 2.84 | -1.85 |
| Natchitoches | 93.6 | 72.1 | 82.9 | 81.2 | 1.6 | 1.85 | 2 | 0.47 | 3.92 | -0.27 |
| Extreme/Average | 93.1 | 71.8 | 82.5 | 80.2 | 2.1 | 1.62 | 2 | 0.30 | 3.38 | -1.06 |
| Central | | | | | | | | | | |
| Alexandria | 90.8 | 69.5 | 80.2 | 81.4 | -1.3 | 0.74 | 2 | -0.41 | 2.49 | -2.08 |
| Bunkie | 90.6 | 72.6 | 81.6 | 80.9 | 0.7 | 0.26 | 2 | -1.07 | 3.78 | -1.31 |
| Eunice | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | 82.4 | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) |
| Jonesville Locks | 89.4 | 70.7 | 80.1 | 80.9 | -0.8 | 0.63 | 2 | -0.53 | 2.05 | -2.49 |
| New Roads | 92.8 | 75.0 | 83.9 | 81.5 | 2.5 | 0.01 | 1 | -1.01 | 5.24 | 0.89 |
| Extreme/Average | 90.9 | 71.9 | 81.4 | 81.4 | 0.3 | 0.41 | 2 | -0.76 | 3.39 | -1.25 |
| East central | | | | | | | | | | |
| Baton Rouge | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | 6.04 | 5.84 |
| Hammond | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | 80.2 | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) |
| Norwood | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | 1.01 | 2 | (NA) | 5.51 | (NA) |
| Slidell | 89.3 | 76.9 | 83.1 | 80.7 | 2.4 | 2.10 | 3 | 0.76 | 4.37 | -0.71 |
| Extreme/Average | 89.3 | 76.9 | 83.1 | 80.5 | 2.4 | 1.56 | 3 | 0.76 | 5.31 | 2.56 |
| Southwest | | | | | | | | | | |
| Crowley | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | 81.3 | (NA) | 0.30 | 2 | -1.44 | 8.10 | 1.86 |
| DeRidder | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | 80.8 | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) |
| Jennings | 89.4 | 75.0 | 82.2 | 81.1 | 1.1 | 0.35 | 2 | -1.33 | 8.09 | 2.21 |
| Oberlin Fire | 90.6 | 74.6 | 82.6 | 80.5 | 2.1 | 0.46 | 1 | -1.20 | 5.86 | -0.03 |
| Extreme/Average | 90.0 | 74.8 | 82.4 | 80.9 | 1.6 | 0.37 | 2 | -1.32 | 7.35 | 1.35 |
| South central | | | | | | | | | | |
| Donaldsonville | 91.4 | 74.7 | 83.1 | 80.8 | 2.3 | 1.17 | 2 | -0.63 | 5.01 | -1.25 |
| Jeanerette | 87.4 | 73.6 | 80.5 | 81.2 | -0.7 | 0.62 | 2 | -1.44 | 5.35 | -1.34 |
| Lafayette | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | 80.7 | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) |
| Morgan City | 89.0 | 76.5 | 82.8 | 80.9 | 1.9 | 0.77 | 1 | -0.77 | 5.67 | 0.56 |
| Extreme/Average | 89.3 | 74.9 | 82.1 | 80.9 | 1.1 | 0.85 | 2 | -0.95 | 5.34 | -0.68 |
| Southeast | | | | | | | | | | |
| Galliano | 90.0 | 79.2 | 84.6 | 81.3 | 3.4 | 1.08 | 2 | -0.19 | 1.99 | -3.30 |
| Gonzales | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | 0.68 | 3 | -1.15 | 6.16 | 0.02 |
| Grand Isle | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) |
| New Orleans | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | 83.0 | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) |
| Extreme/Average | 90.0 | 79.2 | 84.6 | 82.1 | 3.4 | 0.88 | 3 | -0.67 | 4.08 | -1.64 |
| State | 90.0 | 73.3 | 81.6 | 80.7 | 1.2 | 1.15 | 2 | -0.08 | 4.62 | 0.07 |

(NA) Not available.
¹ Averaged collected data from 1981-2010.
² Departure from normal.